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Honorable Goodloe Lewis
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1305 Madison Avenue
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Re: United States v. Jamarr Smith
NDMS Criminal No. 3:21-CR-107

Dear Goodloe:

I am in receipt of your letter dated May 25 posing various questions concerning the application for the geo-fence warrant. As to the first three questions, Inspector Matney consulted with me before submitting the application for the warrant. This was the first geo-fence warrant he had ever requested. As to the fourth question, knowing Judge Percy, I suspect he read the application very closely, but if you want detailed information regarding how long he spent, you will need to ask him. As to the remaining questions, I'm not inclined to provide any specific response, as I don't believe I am required to do so and the questions don't really seem relevant to any potential issue in this matter. It doesn't matter how many times Inspector Matney has requested a geo-fence warrant in the past or what kind of training he had in regard to geo-fence warrants specifically; the only issue is whether the Magistrate Judge finds probable cause to issue the warrant, which he clearly did. Any template or form used in applying for the warrant would be considered work product and therefore privileged.

There is really nothing magical about the training and application process for geo-fence warrants. It is just another search warrant, the issuance of which must be supported by probable cause. Law enforcement agents are trained on search warrants and most seasoned agents, like Inspector Matney, have a great deal of experience in seeking search warrants. There was nothing unusual about the process for seeking a warrant in this matter.

If you have any additional questions regarding this matter, please give me a call.

Very truly yours,

CLAY JOYNER
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